

American VALOR Act”; H.R. 344, the “Women Veterans TRUST Act”; H.R. 958, the “Protecting Moms Who Served Act”; H.R. 1448, the “PAWS for Veterans Therapy Act”; H.R. 1510, the “Veterans’ Camera Reporting Act”; legislation on DOULA for VA Act; legislation on Sgt. Ketchum Rural Veterans Mental Health Act of 2021; legislation to clarify the role of doctors of podiatric medicine in the Department of Veterans Affairs; and legislation on Providing Benefits Information in Spanish and Tagalog for Veterans and Families Act. Testimony was heard from Chairman Takano, and Representatives Underwood, Stivers, Jeffries, Axne, and Lawrence; Clifford A. Smith, Director, Analytics, Innovations and Collaborations, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

WORLD WIDE THREATS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “World Wide Threats”. Testimony was heard from Lieutenant General Scott Berrier, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency; William Burns, Director, Central Intelligence Agency; Avril Haines, Director, Office of the Director of National Intelligence; General Paul Nakasone, Director, National Security Agency, Department of Defense; and Christopher Wray, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation. Part of this hearing was closed.

MAKING THE CASE FOR CLIMATE ACTION: THE GROWING RISKS AND COSTS OF INACTION

Select Committee on the Climate Crisis: Select Committee on the Climate Crisis held a hearing entitled “Making the Case for Climate Action: The Growing Risks and Costs of Inaction”. Testimony was heard from Shawn Gillen, City Manager, Tybee Island, Georgia; and public witnesses.

MEMBER DAY HEARING

Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Member Day Hearing”. Testimony was heard from Chairman Takano, and Representatives Davids of Kansas,

Aguilar, Taylor, Scanlon, Arrington, Jacobs, Lee, Case, Schrier, Cicilline, McCollum, Jeffries, LaMalfa, Hoyer, Clark of Massachusetts, Hinson, Obernolte, Gottheimer, Scalise, Rice of New York, Moulton, Smith of Missouri, and Meijer.

Joint Meetings

VACCINATIONS AND ECONOMIC RECOVERY

Joint Economic Committee: On Wednesday, April 14, 2021, Committee concluded a hearing to examine vaccinations and economic recovery, after receiving testimony from Paul Romer, New York University, Celine Gounder, New York University School of Medicine and Bellevue Hospital, and Belinda Archibong, Barnard College, all of New York, New York; and Alexander Tabarrok, George Mason University Mercatus Center, Fairfax, Virginia.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D329)

H.R. 1868, to prevent across-the-board direct spending cuts. Signed on April 14, 2021. (Public Law 117–7)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 2021

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on International Development, International Organizations and Global Corporate Social Impact, hearing entitled “Innovation in Development Policy: Maximizing Impact and Results”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled “Hearing on Agency Compliance with the Federal Information Technology Acquisition Reform Act (FITARA)”, 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Webex.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

3 p.m., Monday, April 19

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of S. 937, COVID-19 Hate Crimes Act.

At 5:30 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Lisa O. Monaco, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Attorney General, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, April 16

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Consideration of H.R. 1195—Workplace Violence Prevention for Health Care and Social Service Workers Act.

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